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1. EMPLOYED WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS

The figures in this section generally relate only to civilian wage and salary earners, not the total labour force: they therefore exclude employers, self-employed persons and unpaid helpers. Also excluded, because of the inadequacy of current data, are wage and salary earners in agriculture and private domestic service. For the sake of brevity, wage and salary earners are referred to in the tables as "employees". Defence forces are included in Table 1.

2. The estimates in Tables 1 to 6, except those relating to government employees and defence forces, are based on comprehensive data (referred to herein as "benchmarks") derived for the purpose from the population census of June 1966. Month-to-month changes shown by current returns (see below) are linked to the benchmark data to derive the monthly estimates.

3. Although the series measure reasonably well the short-term trends in employment in the defined field, they may be less reliable for longer-term measurement. There are conceptual differences between benchmark and current data, and changes in such factors as labour turnover, multiple jobholding and part-time working all affect the trend over longer periods.

Concepts and definitions

4. Basically the concepts and definitions applicable to these estimates are those which were adopted at the 1966 census. The latter conformed closely to the recommendations of the Eighth International Conference of Labour Statisticians. At the census the following questions were asked in respect of all persons fifteen years of age and over :

"Did the person have a job or business of any kind last week (even though he may have been temporarily absent from it)?"

"Did the person do any work at all last week for payment or profit?"

Provided he had not been temporarily laid off by his employer without pay for the whole of the week, a person who answered "yes" to either of these questions was classified as employed. Persons in this category who were stated to be "working for wages or salary", except members of the defence forces, persons employed in agriculture or private domestic service, and crews of overseas ships have been included in the benchmarks for the current series.

5. Current data supplied by reporting enterprises or establishments generally refer to persons on the payroll for the last pay-period in each month. Persons who are on paid leave or who work during part of the pay-period and are unemployed or on strike during the rest of the period are generally counted as employed. Those not shown on employers' payrolls because they are on leave without pay, on strike or stood down for the entire period are excluded.

6. Government employees comprise not only administrative employees, but also all other employees of government bodies (Australian, State, local and semi-government) on services such as railways, road transport, banks, post office, air transport, education (including universities), broadcasting, radio and T.V., police, public works, factories, departmental hospitals and institutions, etc.

Current data

7. The data needed to derive the estimates for periods subsequent to the benchmark date (June 1966) are obtained from three main sources, namely, (a) current payroll tax returns; (b) current returns from government bodies; and (c) some other current returns of employment (e.g. for hospitals); the balance, i.e. unrecorded private employment, is estimated. At June 1966 recorded employment obtained from the foregoing sources accounted for about 85 per cent of the total number of employees in the industries covered, as determined by the census.

8. Payroll tax returns are lodged at present by all employers paying more than \$400 a week in wages (other than certain Australian Government bodies, religious and benevolent institutions, public hospitals and other similar organisations specifically exempted under the Australian and State Pay-roll Tax Acts, 1971-1973).

Industry

9. The industry classification used throughout the series is that of the population census of June 1966. The estimated monthly changes are derived mainly from returns from employers relating to establishments or enterprises, but the June 1966 benchmark figures were derived from particulars recorded for individuals on population census schedules. The latter do not in all cases provide precise information to allow accurate coding of industry. Industry dissections of the census totals of wage and salary earners were therefore adjusted to be consistent as far as possible with industry coding at the establishment level. For this reason, and because crews of overseas ships were excluded from the benchmark figures, the estimates for June 1966 differ from those published in census bulletins (e.g. No. 9.6) which show particulars of the occupational status and industry of the population, and in other publications which contain population census results.

Adoption of new benchmarks and revision of current estimates

10. As results from each successive population census become available it is customary to derive from them new benchmarks for the monthly employment series, and to revise the published estimates for all periods subsequent to the date of the previous census. The intention to utilise the 1971 census results in this way has been expressed in these explanatory notes on a number of occasions.

11. Final results of the 1971 Census are being progressively tabulated and released in a series of bulletins (Reference Nos 2.83 to 2.96 inclusive). Indications are that if, as on previous occasions, these census totals were to be used as benchmarks for the employment series, the level of the monthly estimates would have to be significantly reduced.

12. However, evidence from census post-enumeration surveys indicates that the filling in of census questionnaires by householders tends to identify a smaller number of persons as being in the labour force than do other methods of measurement (e.g. household surveys conducted by personal interview), and that components of the total labour force, such as employed wage and salary earners, tend to be affected in the same way. This tendency may have increased between the 1966 and 1971 censuses.

13. Comparison between census results and the monthly estimates of employed wage and salary earners is affected not only by the discrepancy referred to above but also by the accumulation of errors in the intercensal employment estimates and differences in the methods of industry classification. The Australian Standard Industrial Classification was adopted in coding the industry of the population at the 1971 census, whereas in the monthly estimates the 1966 census classification is still used. (See paragraph 9 above.)

14. When final census figures become available new benchmarks for the employment series will be established, by the use of census and other relevant data, and the current series from July 1966 will be revised. The revision is expected to reduce the level of the current estimates.

15. In the meantime the monthly estimates will continue to be published on the present basis, since they are regarded as sufficiently accurate for the measurement of short-term movements. However, caution should be exercised if they are used as indicators of longer-term change.

Estimates for earlier periods

16. Detailed industry figures for each State and Australia and the government employment series for the period June 1966 to June 1971 were published in two special bulletins (Reference No. 6.23) issued on 24 April 1970, and 11 January 1972.

17. Estimates for the period July 1966 to June 1971 will be revised when results of the 1971 population census become available. In due course the estimates for periods prior to June 1966 will be revised, but on a basis comparable with that of the 1961 census benchmarks, the information needed to revise these benchmarks on the 1966 census basis not being available.

Discontinuity of series

18. Estimates for the period June 1966 to date are not comparable with those for earlier periods, because of (a) the adoption of a new definition of the labour force in the 1966 population census, from which the benchmarks for the current series were derived and (b) the inclusion of full-blood Aborigines. The new definition resulted in the inclusion of a considerable number of part-time employees (mostly females) who had previously been excluded.

19. April 1973 held an unusual holiday period because Anzac Day fell two days after Easter Monday. This feature is thought to have had a depressing effect on the expansion of employment in the last pay-period of April and, by postponement, to have reinforced expansion in May. Such an effect remains in the seasonally adjusted, as well as in the original, figures.

NOTE. 1. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in tables are due to rounding.

2. The following symbols mean :

| | |
|----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| .. | Nil or less than 50 persons or not applicable. |
| r | Figure or series revised since previous issue. |
| — | Break in continuity of series (where drawn across a column between two consecutive figures). |
| † | Affected by industrial dispute. |

TABLE 1. — CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(’000)

| Month | Civilian employees | | | | | | Defence forces (a) | | | Total | | |
|-----------|--------------------|-------------------|----------|-------------------|----------|-------------------|--------------------|---------|---------|----------|----------|----------|
| | Males | | Females | | Persons | | Males | Females | Persons | Males | Females | Persons |
| | Orig. | Seas. adj. (b) | Orig. | Seas. adj. (b) | Orig. | Seas. adj. (b) | | | | | | |
| 1972 — | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| February | 2,968.9 | 2,960.6 | 1,523.3 | 1,519.5 | 4,492.2 | 4,480.0 | 78.0 | 2.8 | 80.8 | 3,046.9 | 1,526.1 | 4,573.0 |
| 1973 — | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 3,004.0 | 3,004.4 | 1,561.4 | 1,571.9 | 4,565.4 | 4,576.0 | 74.3 | 3.0 | 77.3 | 3,078.3 | 1,564.4 | 4,642.7 |
| February | 3,020.9 | 3,012.4 | 1,584.8 | 1,580.8 | 4,605.7 | 4,593.3 | 72.6 | 2.9 | 75.5 | 3,093.5 | 1,587.7 | 4,681.2 |
| March | 3,030.5 | 3,021.2 | 1,605.3 | 1,597.4 | 4,635.8 | 4,619.4 | 71.6 | 3.0 | 74.6 | 3,102.1 | 1,608.3 | 4,710.4 |
| April (c) | †3,020.8 | †3,015.2 | 1,604.9 | 1,600.8 | †4,625.7 | †4,616.5 | 71.2 | 3.0 | 74.2 | †3,092.0 | 1,607.9 | †4,699.9 |
| May (c) | †3,029.1 | †3,025.0 | 1,620.2 | 1,618.7 | †4,649.3 | †4,643.7 | 71.1 | 3.1 | 74.2 | †3,100.2 | 1,623.3 | †4,723.5 |
| June | †3,027.5 | †3,028.6 | 1,626.8 | 1,629.7 | †4,654.3 | †4,657.9 | 71.0 | 3.1 | 74.1 | †3,098.5 | 1,629.9 | †4,728.4 |
| July | 3,032.6 | 3,040.4 | 1,632.6 | 1,640.0 | 4,665.2 | 4,680.3 | 70.7 | 3.2 | 73.9 | 3,103.3 | 1,635.8 | 4,739.1 |
| August | 3,041.4 | 3,051.2 | 1,642.9 | 1,651.8 | 4,684.3 | 4,703.9 | 69.9 | 3.1 | 73.0 | 3,111.3 | 1,646.0 | 4,757.3 |
| September | 3,044.3 | 3,054.9 | 1,656.7 | 1,662.5 | 4,701.0 | 4,717.6 | 69.5 | 3.1 | 72.6 | 3,113.8 | 1,659.8 | 4,773.6 |
| October | 3,048.6 | 3,059.5 | 1,674.1 | 1,675.1 | 4,722.7 | 4,735.0 | 68.8 | 3.0 | 71.9 | 3,117.4 | 1,677.2 | 4,794.6 |
| November | 3,075.5 | 3,075.8 | 1,701.5 | 1,690.5 | 4,777.0 | 4,765.6 | 67.9 | 3.0 | 70.9 | 3,143.4 | 1,704.5 | 4,847.9 |
| December | 3,091.5 | 3,078.2 | 1,703.9 | 1,695.6 | 4,795.4 | 4,772.8 | 67.2 | 2.9 | 70.1 | 3,158.7 | 1,706.8 | 4,865.5 |
| 1974 — | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 3,087.7 | 3,088.1 | r1,687.0 | r1,698.3 | r4,774.7 | r4,785.8 | 66.8 | 2.9 | 69.7 | 3,154.5 | r1,689.9 | r4,844.4 |
| February | 3,097.4 | 3,088.7 | 1,717.2 | 1,712.9 | 4,814.6 | 4,801.6 | 66.3 | 2.9 | 69.2 | 3,163.7 | 1,720.1 | 4,883.8 |

(a) Permanent defence forces in Australia and overseas. Includes national servicemen enlisted in the Regular Army Supplement. Where the intake occurred at the end of the month, national servicemen have been included in the defence forces figures in the following month. (b) The methods used in seasonally adjusting these statistics are explained in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1973* (Reference No. 1.10). Revised seasonally adjusted statistics for this series will be published in the March issue of this bulletin, following the annual re-analysis of data. (c) See paragraph 19 on page 3.

TABLE 2. — CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : STATES AND TERRITORIES
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(’000)

| Month | N.S.W. | Vic. | Qld | S.A. | W.A. | Tas. | N.T. | A.C.T. (a) | Australia |
|-----------|---------|---------|-------|-------|-------|--------|------|------------|-----------|
| MALES | | | | | | | | | |
| 1972 — | | | | | | | | | |
| February | 1,107.0 | 819.3 | 392.6 | 271.2 | 229.0 | 89.3 | 20.8 | 39.6 | 2,968.9 |
| 1973 — | | | | | | | | | |
| February | 1,117.0 | 838.2 | 406.4 | 278.6 | 226.9 | 90.3 | 20.5 | 43.0 | 3,020.9 |
| August | 1,118.7 | 840.4 | 418.1 | 278.4 | 229.7 | 90.2 | 21.0 | 44.8 | 3,041.4 |
| September | 1,119.2 | 841.6 | 418.1 | 278.4 | 230.3 | 90.1 | 21.4 | 45.1 | 3,044.3 |
| October | 1,119.4 | 842.1 | 419.0 | 278.8 | 231.8 | 90.6 | 21.4 | 45.5 | 3,048.6 |
| November | 1,133.2 | 848.6 | 420.5 | 281.4 | 233.0 | 91.2 | 21.2 | 46.4 | 3,075.5 |
| December | 1,138.6 | 854.3 | 419.9 | 283.9 | 234.5 | 92.2 | 21.5 | 46.5 | 3,091.5 |
| 1974 — | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 1,137.6 | 854.1 | 416.9 | 284.2 | 234.6 | 92.4 | 21.2 | 46.8 | 3,087.7 |
| February | 1,139.5 | 855.7 | 421.1 | 284.9 | 235.4 | 92.9 | 21.2 | 46.6 | 3,097.4 |
| FEMALES | | | | | | | | | |
| 1972 — | | | | | | | | | |
| February | 573.1 | 442.1 | 182.9 | 136.7 | 116.9 | 39.8 | 9.0 | 22.9 | 1,523.3 |
| 1973 — | | | | | | | | | |
| February | 589.0 | 459.8 | 194.3 | 143.8 | 121.8 | 40.8 | 9.9 | 25.4 | 1,584.8 |
| August | 610.0 | 471.7 | 204.7 | 149.9 | 126.9 | 42.0 | 10.6 | 27.4 | 1,642.9 |
| September | 615.0 | 475.7 | 206.1 | 151.0 | 128.5 | 42.1 | 10.8 | 27.5 | 1,656.7 |
| October | 621.9 | 480.7 | 208.3 | 152.6 | 129.6 | 42.3 | 10.8 | 27.7 | 1,674.1 |
| November | 634.8 | 487.3 | 210.5 | 155.5 | 130.9 | 43.2 | 11.0 | 28.2 | 1,701.5 |
| December | 635.4 | 489.4 | 210.7 | 155.0 | 129.9 | 44.0 | 11.1 | 28.5 | 1,703.9 |
| 1974 — | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 627.1 | 484.2 | 209.5 | 154.1 | 129.1 | r43.5 | 10.8 | 28.6 | r1,687.0 |
| February | 638.6 | 492.1 | 210.5 | 158.9 | 132.7 | 44.1 | 11.2 | 29.1 | 1,717.2 |
| PERSONS | | | | | | | | | |
| 1972 — | | | | | | | | | |
| February | 1,680.1 | 1,261.4 | 575.5 | 407.9 | 345.9 | 129.1 | 29.8 | 62.5 | 4,492.2 |
| 1973 — | | | | | | | | | |
| February | 1,706.0 | 1,298.0 | 600.7 | 422.4 | 348.7 | 131.1 | 30.4 | 68.4 | 4,605.7 |
| August | 1,728.7 | 1,312.1 | 622.8 | 428.3 | 356.6 | 132.2 | 31.6 | 72.2 | 4,684.3 |
| September | 1,734.2 | 1,317.3 | 624.2 | 429.4 | 358.8 | 132.2 | 32.2 | 72.6 | 4,701.0 |
| October | 1,741.3 | 1,322.8 | 627.3 | 431.4 | 361.4 | 132.9 | 32.2 | 73.2 | 4,722.7 |
| November | 1,768.0 | 1,335.9 | 631.0 | 436.9 | 363.9 | 134.4 | 32.2 | 74.6 | 4,777.0 |
| December | 1,774.0 | 1,343.7 | 630.6 | 438.9 | 364.4 | 136.2 | 32.6 | 75.0 | 4,795.4 |
| 1974 — | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 1,764.7 | 1,338.3 | 626.4 | 438.3 | 363.7 | r135.9 | 32.0 | 75.4 | r4,774.7 |
| February | 1,778.1 | 1,347.8 | 631.6 | 443.8 | 368.1 | 137.0 | 32.4 | 75.7 | 4,814.6 |

(a) Includes persons employed in the Australian Capital Territory who reside in adjoining areas.

TABLE 3. — CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES, AUSTRALIA
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(^{'000})

| | Males | | | Females | | | Persons | | |
|-------------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| | 1973 February | 1974 January | 1974 February | 1973 February | 1974 January | 1974 February | 1973 February | 1974 January | 1974 February |
| PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES | | | | | | | | | |
| Forestry, fishing and trapping | 14.4 | 13.9 | 13.8 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 15.0 | 14.6 | 14.5 |
| Mining and quarrying | 70.1 | 70.7 | 70.7 | 4.7 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 74.8 | 75.6 | 75.5 |
| Coal mining | 19.6 | 19.7 | 19.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 19.9 | 20.1 | 19.9 |
| Other mining and quarrying | 50.5 | 51.0 | 51.1 | 4.3 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 54.8 | 55.5 | 55.6 |
| Manufacturing — original | 1,030.2 | 1,046.6 | 1,047.1 | 356.7 | 378.1 | 386.3 | 1,386.9 | 1,424.8 | 1,433.4 |
| <i>seasonally adj. (a)</i> | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1,381.6 | 1,427.4 | 1,428.0 |
| Cement, bricks, etc. | 49.1 | 50.4 | 50.6 | 6.5 | 6.9 | 7.1 | 55.5 | 57.3 | 57.7 |
| Products of petroleum and coal | 8.3 | 8.4 | 8.4 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 8.8 | 8.9 | 8.9 |
| Founding, engineering, metal working | 340.6 | 350.0 | 349.5 | 77.3 | 87.9 | 89.5 | 417.9 | 437.9 | 439.0 |
| Extracting, refining, founding, etc., (b) | | | | | | | | | |
| (i) Ferrous | 69.6 | 69.1 | 68.8 | 5.4 | 6.7 | 6.9 | 74.9 | 75.8 | 75.7 |
| (ii) Non-ferrous | 20.1 | 21.4 | 21.1 | 2.2 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 22.3 | 23.8 | 23.5 |
| Metal products | 101.7 | 104.3 | 104.1 | 23.4 | 26.0 | 26.3 | 125.1 | 130.3 | 130.4 |
| Machinery and parts | 98.8 | 104.1 | 104.3 | 16.9 | 19.6 | 20.0 | 115.6 | 123.7 | 124.3 |
| Electronic and electrical apparatus | | | | | | | | | |
| and machinery | 50.4 | 51.2 | 51.3 | 29.5 | 33.2 | 33.8 | 79.9 | 84.3 | 85.0 |
| Ships, vehicles, etc. | 176.3 | 181.1 | 180.8 | 21.6 | 27.0 | 27.7 | 197.8 | 208.2 | 208.5 |
| Yarns, textiles, etc. | 28.5 | 28.5 | 28.5 | 22.2 | 22.8 | 23.1 | 50.6 | 51.3 | 51.6 |
| Clothing and knitted goods | 17.0 | 17.3 | 17.3 | 72.0 | 72.0 | 73.1 | 89.0 | 89.4 | 90.4 |
| Boots, shoes and accessories | 8.1 | 8.0 | 8.1 | 9.3 | 9.5 | 9.4 | 17.4 | 17.6 | 17.6 |
| Food, drink and tobacco | 150.4 | 144.2 | 145.3 | 57.2 | 55.5 | 59.1 | 207.6 | 199.7 | 204.4 |
| Sawmilling and wood products | 45.0 | 46.1 | 46.2 | 4.8 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 49.8 | 51.3 | 51.4 |
| Furniture and fittings, etc. | 26.0 | 27.2 | 27.2 | 7.3 | 8.0 | 8.2 | 33.3 | 35.2 | 35.4 |
| Paper, printing, bookbinding, | | | | | | | | | |
| photography | 80.5 | 82.2 | 82.1 | 32.5 | 33.7 | 34.0 | 113.0 | 115.8 | 116.1 |
| Chemicals, dyes, explosives, paints, etc. | 44.6 | 45.7 | 45.5 | 16.2 | 17.0 | 17.1 | 60.8 | 62.7 | 62.7 |
| Rubber goods | 16.7 | 17.1 | 17.1 | 4.0 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 20.7 | 21.4 | 21.3 |
| Other manufacturing | 39.1 | 40.4 | 40.5 | 25.5 | 27.7 | 28.0 | 64.6 | 68.1 | 68.5 |
| Electricity, gas, water and sanitary | | | | | | | | | |
| services | 109.1 | 109.5 | 109.6 | 8.6 | 8.8 | 8.8 | 117.6 | 118.4 | 118.3 |
| Gas and electricity | 68.5 | 68.3 | 68.2 | 6.3 | 6.5 | 6.4 | 74.8 | 74.7 | 74.6 |
| Water supply, sewerage, etc. | 40.6 | 41.3 | 41.3 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 42.9 | 43.6 | 43.8 |
| Building and construction | 366.4 | 362.3 | 365.3 | 18.9 | 20.7 | 20.9 | 385.3 | 382.9 | 386.2 |
| Transport and storage | 221.2 | 226.6 | 227.1 | 28.9 | 30.6 | 30.8 | 250.2 | 257.2 | 257.9 |
| Road transport and storage | 100.6 | 105.2 | 105.7 | 13.2 | 14.2 | 14.3 | 113.8 | 119.4 | 119.9 |
| Shipping and stevedoring | 36.3 | 36.3 | 36.2 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 39.3 | 39.4 | 39.3 |
| Rail transport | 57.7 | 56.9 | 56.8 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 63.7 | 63.0 | 62.9 |
| Air transport | 26.7 | 28.3 | 28.4 | 6.7 | 7.2 | 7.3 | 33.4 | 35.5 | 35.7 |
| Communication | 96.2 | 99.8 | 100.2 | 28.4 | 30.4 | 30.4 | 124.6 | 130.2 | 130.7 |
| Finance and property | 128.0 | 131.7 | 133.0 | 98.1 | 104.6 | 106.6 | 226.1 | 236.3 | 239.6 |
| Banking | 56.3 | 57.4 | 58.0 | 38.1 | 41.7 | 42.9 | 94.4 | 99.1 | 100.9 |
| Other finance and property | 71.7 | 74.3 | 75.0 | 60.0 | 63.0 | 63.6 | 131.7 | 137.2 | 138.7 |
| Commerce — original | 442.1 | 463.2 | 461.4 | 342.3 | r375.4 | 377.7 | 784.4 | r838.6 | 839.1 |
| <i>seasonally adj. (a)</i> | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 786.5 | r837.2 | 841.4 |
| Wholesale trade | 188.6 | 194.3 | 194.2 | 80.4 | 85.6 | 86.6 | 269.0 | 279.9 | 280.8 |
| Primary produce dealing, etc. | 23.0 | 24.4 | 23.0 | 6.6 | 6.9 | 6.7 | 29.6 | 31.3 | 29.7 |
| Retail trade | 230.4 | 244.4 | 244.2 | 255.4 | r283.0 | 284.4 | 485.8 | r527.4 | 528.5 |
| Public authority activities (n.e.i.) | 146.3 | 150.1 | 150.7 | 69.2 | 75.5 | 76.4 | 215.5 | 225.6 | 227.0 |
| Community and business services | 272.2 | 281.1 | 286.4 | 453.7 | 470.1 | 485.7 | 725.9 | 751.2 | 772.1 |
| Law, order and public safety | 44.3 | 45.9 | 46.4 | 27.0 | 29.5 | 29.7 | 71.3 | 75.4 | 76.1 |
| Religion and social welfare | 20.8 | 20.9 | 21.0 | 23.1 | 23.6 | 23.6 | 43.8 | 44.5 | 44.6 |
| Health, hospitals, etc. | 51.5 | 53.7 | 53.8 | 214.9 | 224.3 | 227.6 | 266.5 | 278.0 | 281.4 |
| Education | 107.0 | 108.6 | 112.5 | 143.5 | 143.6 | 155.3 | 250.5 | 252.2 | 267.8 |
| Other services | 48.6 | 52.0 | 52.6 | 45.2 | 49.1 | 49.5 | 93.8 | 101.1 | 102.1 |
| Amusement, hotels, cafes, personal | | | | | | | | | |
| service, etc. | 124.7 | 132.1 | 132.2 | 174.6 | 187.2 | 188.1 | 299.3 | 319.2 | 320.3 |
| Amusement, sport and recreation | 38.2 | 38.6 | 38.8 | 22.0 | 23.2 | 23.5 | 60.2 | 61.7 | 62.3 |
| Hotels, personal service, etc. | 86.5 | 93.5 | 93.3 | 152.7 | 164.0 | 164.7 | 239.2 | 257.5 | 258.0 |
| All industry groups | 3,020.9 | 3,087.7 | 3,097.4 | 1,584.8 | r1,687.0 | 1,717.2 | 4,605.7 | r4,774.7 | 4,814.6 |
| PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT | | | | | | | | | |
| Private — original | 2,165.9 | r2,232.4 | 2,237.0 | 1,289.4 | r1,380.0 | 1,398.9 | 3,455.3 | r3,612.4 | 3,635.9 |
| <i>seasonally adj. (a)</i> | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 3,448.1 | r3,618.0 | 3,628.4 |
| Government (c) — original | 855.0 | r855.3 | 860.4 | 295.4 | r307.0 | 318.3 | 1,150.4 | r1,162.3 | 1,178.7 |
| <i>seasonally adj. (a)</i> | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1,145.5 | r1,167.2 | 1,173.7 |

(a) See note (b) to Table 1. (b) Includes manufacture of metal rods, bars, sheets, pipes, tubes and wire (except electric). (c) Includes industrial as well as administrative employees (see paragraph 6 on page 2).

TABLE 4. — CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES AND PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT : STATES
MALES, FEBRUARY 1974
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(‘000)

| | N.S.W. | Vic. | Qld | S.A. | W.A. | Tas. | Aust. (a) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|-----------|
| PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES | | | | | | | |
| Forestry, fishing and trapping | 3.1 | 2.9 | 3.8 | 0.8 | 1.5 | 1.2 | 13.8 |
| Mining and quarrying | 24.3 | 4.0 | 15.8 | 2.9 | 16.7 | 4.6 | 70.7 |
| Manufacturing | 394.4 | 339.3 | 107.4 | 112.7 | 59.1 | 28.1 | 1,047.1 |
| Cement, bricks, etc. | 20.8 | 13.3 | 6.6 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 1.2 | 50.6 |
| Founding, engineering, etc. | 153.3 | 99.7 | 28.7 | 40.3 | 19.5 | 6.9 | 349.5 |
| Ships, vehicles, etc. | 57.2 | 64.5 | 17.6 | 29.1 | 9.2 | 2.4 | 180.8 |
| Yarns, textiles, etc. | 7.4 | 16.4 | 0.9 | 1.7 | 0.5 | 1.7 | 28.5 |
| Clothing and knitted goods | 5.7 | 9.9 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 17.3 |
| Food, drink and tobacco | 44.8 | 46.0 | 26.2 | 13.6 | 9.3 | 4.6 | 145.3 |
| Sawmilling and wood products | 14.7 | 10.0 | 7.5 | 5.6 | 4.3 | 3.6 | 46.2 |
| Paper, printing, bookbinding, photography | 30.8 | 26.6 | 7.5 | 5.6 | 4.2 | 5.7 | 82.1 |
| Chemicals, dyes, explosives, paints, etc. | 21.7 | 15.9 | 2.3 | 2.6 | 2.2 | 0.8 | 45.5 |
| Other manufacturing | 38.0 | 37.1 | 9.4 | 9.3 | 5.8 | 1.1 | 101.3 |
| Electricity, gas, water and sanitary services | 42.3 | 32.0 | 11.4 | 10.9 | 8.0 | 3.7 | 109.6 |
| Building and construction | 128.7 | 83.1 | 70.8 | 31.3 | 28.0 | 11.4 | 365.3 |
| Transport and storage | 87.3 | 56.5 | 33.8 | 18.3 | 20.8 | 7.2 | 227.1 |
| Road transport and storage | 42.0 | 26.2 | 14.3 | 8.6 | 9.5 | 3.4 | 105.7 |
| Shipping and stevedoring | 13.3 | 9.0 | 5.2 | 2.8 | 3.7 | 1.9 | 36.2 |
| Rail and air transport | 32.1 | 21.3 | 14.3 | 6.9 | 7.6 | 1.9 | 85.2 |
| Communication | 35.9 | 28.2 | 14.6 | 9.0 | 8.0 | 2.9 | 100.2 |
| Finance and property | 51.7 | 38.1 | 17.6 | 11.0 | 9.5 | 3.3 | 133.0 |
| Banking | 21.7 | 17.2 | 7.3 | 5.1 | 4.3 | 1.5 | 58.0 |
| Other | 30.0 | 20.8 | 10.3 | 5.9 | 5.2 | 1.7 | 75.0 |
| Commerce | 169.0 | 126.5 | 68.4 | 42.3 | 36.8 | 12.6 | 461.4 |
| Wholesale and other commerce | 78.6 | 60.1 | 31.3 | 20.3 | 18.8 | 5.8 | 217.3 |
| Retail trade | 90.3 | 66.4 | 37.1 | 22.0 | 18.0 | 6.8 | 244.2 |
| Public authority activities (n.e.i.) | 47.2 | 35.1 | 21.4 | 10.7 | 12.5 | 4.7 | 150.7 |
| Community and business services | 99.2 | 77.5 | 40.5 | 25.6 | 23.9 | 8.7 | 286.4 |
| Health, hospitals, etc. | 19.1 | 14.0 | 7.7 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 1.9 | 53.8 |
| Education | 35.8 | 33.5 | 15.2 | 10.6 | 9.2 | 3.5 | 112.5 |
| Other (b) | 44.3 | 30.0 | 17.5 | 10.0 | 9.7 | 3.3 | 120.0 |
| Amusement, hotels, cafes, personal service, etc. | 56.5 | 32.8 | 15.5 | 9.6 | 10.5 | 4.5 | 132.2 |
| All industry groups | 1,139.5 | 855.7 | 421.1 | 284.9 | 235.4 | 92.9 | 3,097.4 |
| PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT | | | | | | | |
| Private | 840.9 | 639.0 | 297.5 | 201.9 | 160.8 | 65.7 | 2,370.0 |
| Government (c) | 298.6 | 216.7 | 123.6 | 83.0 | 74.6 | 27.2 | 860.4 |
| Australian | 85.9 | 71.7 | 27.7 | 24.0 | 15.9 | 5.6 | 267.5 |
| State (d) | 165.6 | 126.8 | 76.6 | 54.2 | 52.2 | 18.9 | 494.3 |
| Local (e) | 47.1 | 18.1 | 19.2 | 4.8 | 6.5 | 2.6 | 98.6 |

(a) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (b) Comprises law, order and public safety; religion and social welfare; and other community and business services. (c) Includes industrial as well as administrative employees (see paragraph 6 a page 2). (d) See footnote (d), page 8. (e) See footnote (e), page 8.

TABLE 4. - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES AND PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT :
STATES - *continued*
FEMALES, FEBRUARY 1974
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(^{'000})

| | N.S.W. | Vic. | Qld | S.A. | W.A. | Tas. | Aust. (a) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|-----------|
| PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES | | | | | | | |
| Forestry, fishing and trapping | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.7 |
| Mining and quarrying | 1.0 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 0.2 | 1.4 | 0.3 | 4.9 |
| Manufacturing | 147.8 | 153.0 | 28.6 | 34.5 | 14.1 | 6.7 | 386.3 |
| Cement, bricks, etc. | 3.1 | 2.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 7.1 |
| Founding, engineering, etc. | 41.2 | 29.3 | 4.8 | 10.5 | 2.8 | 0.8 | 89.5 |
| Ships, vehicles, etc. | 8.8 | 11.9 | 1.9 | 3.9 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 27.7 |
| Yarns, textiles, etc. | 6.0 | 12.2 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 2.0 | 23.1 |
| Clothing and knitted goods | 26.4 | 37.8 | 4.4 | 3.0 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 73.1 |
| Food, drink and tobacco | 18.1 | 20.4 | 7.5 | 6.9 | 4.3 | 1.7 | 59.1 |
| Sawmilling and wood products | 1.7 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 5.2 |
| Paper, printing, bookbinding, photography | 13.6 | 11.0 | 3.3 | 2.4 | 1.8 | 1.1 | 34.0 |
| Chemicals, dyes, explosives, paints, etc. | 9.9 | 5.4 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.4 | .. | 17.1 |
| Other manufacturing | 19.0 | 21.3 | 3.2 | 4.7 | 1.7 | 0.3 | 50.4 |
| Electricity, gas, water and sanitary services | 3.6 | 2.6 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 8.8 |
| Building and construction | 8.0 | 5.0 | 3.6 | 1.5 | 1.9 | 0.3 | 20.9 |
| Transport and storage | 13.4 | 7.5 | 4.2 | 2.4 | 2.0 | 0.6 | 30.8 |
| Road transport and storage | 6.0 | 3.6 | 2.0 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 14.3 |
| Shipping and stevedoring | 1.4 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 3.1 |
| Rail and air transport | 6.0 | 3.2 | 1.8 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 13.4 |
| Communication | 11.0 | 8.3 | 4.4 | 2.6 | 2.5 | 0.9 | 30.4 |
| Finance and property | 43.5 | 27.9 | 14.9 | 8.3 | 8.0 | 2.3 | 106.6 |
| Banking | 18.1 | 10.7 | 5.9 | 3.0 | 3.5 | 1.0 | 42.9 |
| Other | 25.4 | 17.2 | 9.0 | 5.2 | 4.5 | 1.3 | 63.6 |
| Commerce | 144.5 | 97.5 | 51.6 | 35.8 | 33.0 | 9.3 | 377.7 |
| Wholesale and other commerce | 37.4 | 26.3 | 11.7 | 7.7 | 8.0 | 1.5 | 93.3 |
| Retail trade | 107.1 | 71.2 | 39.8 | 28.1 | 25.0 | 7.8 | 284.4 |
| Public authority activities (n.e.i.) | 25.6 | 16.1 | 9.2 | 5.5 | 5.7 | 2.2 | 76.4 |
| Community and business services | 171.1 | 130.3 | 62.4 | 50.1 | 44.7 | 14.2 | 485.7 |
| Health, hospitals, etc. | 82.3 | 57.6 | 28.2 | 25.5 | 22.5 | 7.4 | 227.6 |
| Education | 49.1 | 44.7 | 19.4 | 17.2 | 14.2 | 4.6 | 155.3 |
| Other (b) | 39.7 | 28.0 | 14.8 | 7.3 | 8.1 | 2.2 | 102.8 |
| Amusement, hotels, cafes, personal service, etc. | 68.9 | 43.1 | 29.5 | 17.3 | 18.6 | 6.9 | 188.1 |
| All industry groups | 638.6 | 492.1 | 210.5 | 158.9 | 132.7 | 44.1 | 1,717.2 |
| PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT | | | | | | | |
| Private | 529.9 | 417.6 | 172.6 | 121.9 | 104.4 | 34.9 | 1,398.9 |
| Government (c) | 108.7 | 74.5 | 37.9 | 37.0 | 28.3 | 9.2 | 318.3 |
| Australian | 32.1 | 24.3 | 10.2 | 6.8 | 6.0 | 1.8 | 103.9 |
| State (d) | 69.7 | 46.2 | 25.7 | 29.3 | 21.1 | 7.0 | 199.0 |
| Local (e) | 6.9 | 4.0 | 2.0 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 0.4 | 15.4 |

(a) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (b) Comprises law, order and public safety; religion and social welfare; and community and business services. (c) Includes industrial as well as administrative employees (see paragraph 6 on page 2). (d) See footnote (d), page 8. (e) See footnote (e), page 8.

TABLE 4. — CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES AND PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT :
STATES — *continued*
PERSONS, FEBRUARY 1974
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
('000)

| | N.S.W. | Vic. | Qld | S.A. | W.A. | Tas. | Aust. (a) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES | | | | | | | |
| Forestry, fishing and trapping | 3.3 | 3.0 | 3.8 | 0.9 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 14.5 |
| Mining and quarrying | 25.3 | 4.6 | 17.0 | 3.1 | 18.1 | 4.9 | 75.5 |
| Manufacturing | 542.2 | 492.3 | 136.0 | 147.2 | 73.2 | 34.8 | 1,433.4 |
| Cement, bricks, etc. | 23.9 | 15.8 | 7.0 | 4.7 | 4.3 | 1.3 | 57.7 |
| Founding, engineering, etc. | 194.5 | 129.0 | 33.5 | 50.8 | 22.3 | 7.7 | 439.0 |
| Ships, vehicles, etc. | 66.0 | 76.5 | 19.5 | 33.0 | 9.9 | 2.6 | 208.5 |
| Yarns, textiles, etc. | 13.4 | 28.6 | 2.1 | 3.0 | 0.7 | 3.8 | 51.6 |
| Clothing and knitted goods | 32.1 | 47.6 | 5.1 | 3.8 | 1.5 | 0.3 | 90.4 |
| Food, drink and tobacco | 63.0 | 66.4 | 33.7 | 20.5 | 13.6 | 6.3 | 204.4 |
| Sawmilling and wood products | 16.4 | 11.1 | 8.7 | 6.2 | 4.7 | 3.8 | 51.4 |
| Paper, printing, bookbinding, photography | 44.4 | 37.6 | 10.8 | 8.0 | 5.9 | 6.8 | 116.1 |
| Chemicals, dyes, explosives, paints, etc. | 31.6 | 21.3 | 3.0 | 3.3 | 2.7 | 0.8 | 62.7 |
| Other manufacturing | 57.0 | 58.4 | 12.6 | 14.0 | 7.6 | 1.4 | 151.7 |
| Electricity, gas, water and sanitary services | 45.9 | 34.6 | 12.4 | 11.5 | 8.7 | 4.0 | 118.3 |
| Building and construction | 136.8 | 88.1 | 74.3 | 32.8 | 29.9 | 11.7 | 386.2 |
| Transport and storage | 100.7 | 64.0 | 38.0 | 20.7 | 22.8 | 7.8 | 257.9 |
| Road transport and storage | 48.0 | 29.9 | 16.4 | 9.7 | 10.4 | 3.7 | 119.9 |
| Shipping and stevedoring | 14.7 | 9.7 | 5.6 | 3.1 | 4.0 | 2.0 | 39.3 |
| Rail and air transport | 38.1 | 24.5 | 16.1 | 7.9 | 8.4 | 2.1 | 98.6 |
| Communication | 46.9 | 36.5 | 19.0 | 11.6 | 10.6 | 3.9 | 130.7 |
| Finance and property | 95.2 | 66.0 | 32.5 | 19.2 | 17.5 | 5.6 | 239.6 |
| Banking | 39.8 | 27.9 | 13.2 | 8.1 | 7.8 | 2.6 | 100.9 |
| Other | 55.4 | 38.1 | 19.3 | 11.1 | 9.7 | 3.0 | 138.7 |
| Commerce | 313.5 | 224.0 | 120.0 | 78.1 | 69.8 | 21.9 | 839.1 |
| Wholesale and other commerce | 116.0 | 86.4 | 43.1 | 28.0 | 26.8 | 7.3 | 310.5 |
| Retail trade | 197.4 | 137.6 | 77.0 | 50.1 | 43.0 | 14.6 | 528.5 |
| Public authority activities (n.e.i.) | 72.7 | 51.2 | 30.6 | 16.2 | 18.3 | 6.9 | 227.0 |
| Community and business services | 270.3 | 207.7 | 102.9 | 75.7 | 68.6 | 22.8 | 772.1 |
| Health, hospitals, etc. | 101.4 | 71.6 | 35.9 | 30.6 | 27.5 | 9.2 | 281.4 |
| Education | 84.9 | 78.2 | 34.6 | 27.8 | 23.4 | 8.1 | 267.8 |
| Other (b) | 84.1 | 57.9 | 32.3 | 17.3 | 17.8 | 5.5 | 222.9 |
| Amusement, hotels, cafes, personal service, etc. | 125.4 | 75.8 | 45.0 | 26.9 | 29.0 | 11.4 | 320.3 |
| All industry groups | 1,778.1 | 1,347.8 | 631.6 | 443.8 | 368.1 | 137.0 | 4,814.6 |
| PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT | | | | | | | |
| Private | 1,370.8 | 1,056.6 | 470.1 | 323.8 | 265.1 | 100.7 | 3,635.9 |
| Government (c) | 407.3 | 291.2 | 161.5 | 120.0 | 103.0 | 36.3 | 1,178.7 |
| Australian | 118.0 | 96.0 | 37.9 | 30.8 | 21.9 | 7.5 | 371.4 |
| State (d) | 235.3 | 173.0 | 102.3 | 83.4 | 73.3 | 25.9 | 693.3 |
| Local (e) | 54.0 | 22.1 | 21.2 | 5.8 | 7.7 | 3.0 | 114.0 |

(a) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (b) Comprises law, order and public safety; religion and social welfare; and other community and business services. (c) Includes industrial as well as administrative employees (see paragraph 6 on page 2). (d) Excludes employees engaged in agriculture (2.7 thousand persons in December 1973). (e) Excludes employees in private homes of Government emergency housekeeper services, and in agriculture (together comprising 2.0 thousand persons in December 1973).

TABLE 5. - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES AND PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT:
NORTHERN TERRITORY
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(*000)

| Month | Mining and quarrying | Manu- facturing | Building and const- ruction | Trans- port and storage | Commerce | Public authority activities (n.e.i.) | Comm- unity and business services | Other industries | Total | Private | Govern- ment (a) |
|----------|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------|---------|---------------------|
| MALES | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1973 - | | | | | | | | | | | |
| November | 2.4 | 1.7 | 4.1 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 2.5 | 4.3 | 3.0 | 21.2 | 12.5 | 8.7 |
| December | 2.5 | 1.5 | 4.0 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 3.0 | 4.3 | 3.0 | 21.5 | 12.2 | 9.3 |
| 1974 - | | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 2.3 | 1.5 | 4.0 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 2.9 | 4.3 | r3.1 | 21.2 | 11.9 | 9.3 |
| February | 2.3 | 1.5 | 3.9 | 1.8 | 1.4 | 2.9 | 4.5 | 3.1 | 21.2 | 11.8 | 9.4 |
| FEMALES | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1973 - | | | | | | | | | | | |
| November | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 4.2 | 2.2 | 11.0 | 6.5 | 4.5 |
| December | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 4.2 | 2.1 | 11.1 | 6.4 | 4.7 |
| 1974 - | | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 4.3 | r2.0 | 10.8 | 6.1 | 4.7 |
| February | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 4.6 | 2.0 | 11.2 | 6.1 | 5.1 |
| PERSONS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1973 - | | | | | | | | | | | |
| November | 2.5 | 2.0 | 4.3 | 2.3 | 3.2 | 4.1 | 8.5 | 5.2 | 32.2 | 19.0 | 13.2 |
| December | 2.6 | 1.8 | 4.3 | 2.3 | 3.2 | 4.8 | 8.5 | 5.1 | 32.6 | 18.5 | 14.1 |
| 1974 - | | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 2.4 | 1.8 | 4.2 | 2.3 | 3.1 | 4.6 | 8.6 | 5.0 | 32.0 | 18.0 | 14.0 |
| February | 2.4 | 1.8 | 4.1 | 2.1 | 3.1 | 4.7 | 9.1 | 5.1 | 32.4 | 17.9 | (b)14.5 |

(a) Includes industrial as well as administrative employees (see paragraph 6 on page 2). (b) Includes 0.2 thousand local government employees (mainly males) the remainder being employees of Australian government bodies.

TABLE 6. - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES AND PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT:
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY (a)
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(*000)

| Month | Manu- facturing | Building and construction | Commerce | Public authority activities (n.e.i.) | Community and business services | Amusement, hotels, cafes, personal service, etc. | Other industries | Total | Private | Aust- ralian Govern- ment (b) |
|----------|--------------------|---------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------|---------|----------------------------------------|
| MALES | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1973 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| November | 4.7 | 7.9 | 4.5 | 15.7 | 6.6 | 2.3 | 4.6 | 46.4 | 19.4 | 27.0 |
| December | 4.7 | 7.9 | 4.4 | 15.9 | 6.6 | 2.2 | 4.8 | 46.5 | 19.2 | 27.3 |
| 1974 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 4.7 | 8.2 | 4.5 | 16.1 | 6.5 | 2.1 | 4.7 | 46.8 | r19.4 | r27.4 |
| February | 4.6 | 8.0 | 4.5 | 16.1 | 6.5 | 2.2 | 4.7 | 46.6 | 19.2 | 27.4 |
| FEMALES | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1973 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| November | 1.2 | 0.5 | 4.1 | 9.8 | 8.2 | 2.6 | 2.0 | 28.2 | 11.4 | 16.8 |
| December | 1.2 | 0.5 | 4.2 | 10.0 | 8.1 | 2.5 | 2.0 | 28.5 | 11.5 | 17.0 |
| 1974 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 1.2 | 0.5 | 4.1 | 10.2 | 8.2 | 2.4 | 2.0 | 28.6 | r11.3 | r17.3 |
| February | 1.2 | 0.5 | 4.2 | 10.4 | 8.4 | 2.5 | 2.0 | 29.1 | 11.6 | 17.5 |
| PERSONS | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1973 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| November | 5.9 | 8.3 | 8.7 | 25.5 | 14.8 | 4.9 | 6.6 | 74.6 | 30.8 | 43.8 |
| December | 5.9 | 8.4 | 8.6 | 25.9 | 14.7 | 4.7 | 6.7 | 75.0 | 30.7 | 44.3 |
| 1974 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 5.9 | 8.7 | 8.5 | 26.3 | 14.7 | 4.6 | 6.7 | 75.4 | r30.7 | r44.7 |
| February | 5.9 | 8.5 | 8.7 | 26.5 | 14.9 | 4.7 | 6.7 | 75.7 | 30.7 | 45.0 |

(a) Includes persons employed in the Australian Capital Territory who reside in adjoining areas. (b) Includes industrial as well as administrative employees (see paragraph 6 on page 2).

2. — JOB VACANCIES

TABLE 7. — VACANCIES REGISTERED WITH THE COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE (a)
(Source : Department of Labour)

| | | | | | | | Australia | |
|-----------------------|------------|--------|-------|----------|-------|-------|-----------|-------------------------|
| Date (a) | N.S.W. (b) | Vic. | Qld | S.A. (c) | W.A. | Tas. | Original | Seasonally adjusted (d) |
| VACANCIES FOR MALES | | | | | | | | |
| 1972 — | | | | | | | | |
| March | 5,343 | 5,412 | 1,644 | 1,751 | 1,178 | 630 | 15,958 | 16,277 |
| 1973 — | | | | | | | | |
| February | 12,895 | 10,787 | 2,833 | 3,299 | 2,331 | 1,253 | 33,398 | 29,847 |
| March | 12,640 | 9,129 | 3,249 | 3,378 | 2,752 | 750 | 31,898 | 32,581 |
| April | 11,929 | 8,661 | 3,093 | 3,066 | 2,396 | 643 | 29,788 | 33,265 |
| May | 13,414 | 8,642 | 4,126 | 3,455 | 2,350 | 690 | 32,677 | 39,371 |
| June | 13,729 | 9,090 | 4,438 | 3,590 | 2,272 | 694 | 33,813 | 43,218 |
| July | 13,965 | 10,451 | 4,242 | 3,889 | 2,420 | 708 | 35,675 | 45,037 |
| August | 16,828 | 12,283 | 4,987 | 4,023 | 2,849 | 809 | 41,779 | 50,022 |
| September | 20,227 | 13,674 | 5,794 | 4,648 | 3,581 | 879 | 48,803 | 52,294 |
| October | 22,407 | 14,834 | 6,101 | 5,350 | 4,299 | 1,073 | 54,064 | 50,913 |
| November | 21,197 | 13,955 | 5,951 | 4,339 | 4,451 | 1,409 | 51,302 | 44,130 |
| December | 21,204 | 14,809 | 4,407 | 4,500 | 3,442 | 1,313 | 49,675 | 39,478 |
| 1974 — | | | | | | | | |
| January | 23,293 | 20,375 | 4,355 | 4,784 | 3,547 | 1,080 | 57,434 | 42,564 |
| February | 23,399 | 18,783 | 5,147 | 5,426 | 3,988 | 1,234 | 57,977 | 51,789 |
| March | 21,218 | 18,488 | 5,326 | 5,420 | 4,255 | 1,127 | 55,834 | 57,124 |
| VACANCIES FOR FEMALES | | | | | | | | |
| 1972 — | | | | | | | | |
| March | 4,633 | 5,476 | 1,241 | 958 | 590 | 247 | 13,145 | 14,471 |
| 1973 — | | | | | | | | |
| February | 6,908 | 7,628 | 1,675 | 1,606 | 997 | 468 | 19,282 | 18,467 |
| March | 6,843 | 7,282 | 1,784 | 1,475 | 948 | 260 | 18,592 | 20,520 |
| April | 7,001 | 6,857 | 1,804 | 1,603 | 994 | 280 | 18,539 | 21,392 |
| May | 7,726 | 7,574 | 2,511 | 1,619 | 1,083 | 309 | 20,822 | 24,044 |
| June | 7,803 | 7,432 | 2,548 | 1,562 | 1,030 | 320 | 20,695 | 25,140 |
| July | 8,658 | 8,251 | 2,777 | 1,477 | 1,125 | 289 | 22,577 | 25,862 |
| August | 10,800 | 9,740 | 3,638 | 1,896 | 1,446 | 361 | 27,881 | 28,086 |
| September | 12,301 | 10,690 | 3,623 | 2,048 | 1,443 | 414 | 30,519 | 28,519 |
| October | 13,469 | 10,510 | 3,642 | 1,979 | 1,586 | 436 | 31,622 | 27,288 |
| November | 12,500 | 9,652 | 3,625 | 1,956 | 1,471 | 431 | 29,635 | 26,898 |
| December | 12,000 | 10,551 | 2,822 | 2,171 | 1,258 | 644 | 29,446 | 26,258 |
| 1974 — | | | | | | | | |
| January | 13,818 | 11,831 | 3,020 | 2,260 | 1,600 | 568 | 33,097 | 28,151 |
| February | 13,806 | 12,083 | 2,900 | 2,915 | 1,664 | 498 | 33,866 | 32,438 |
| March | 13,204 | 11,992 | 2,624 | 2,155 | 1,245 | 498 | 31,718 | 35,072 |
| TOTAL VACANCIES | | | | | | | | |
| 1972 — | | | | | | | | |
| March | 9,976 | 10,888 | 2,885 | 2,709 | 1,768 | 877 | 29,103 | 30,504 |
| 1973 — | | | | | | | | |
| February | 19,803 | 18,415 | 4,508 | 4,905 | 3,328 | 1,721 | 52,680 | 48,362 |
| March | 19,483 | 16,411 | 5,033 | 4,853 | 3,700 | 1,010 | 50,490 | 53,084 |
| April | 18,930 | 15,518 | 4,897 | 4,669 | 3,390 | 923 | 48,327 | 54,309 |
| May | 21,140 | 16,216 | 6,637 | 5,074 | 3,433 | 999 | 53,499 | 63,134 |
| June | 21,532 | 16,522 | 6,986 | 5,152 | 3,302 | 1,014 | 54,508 | 67,935 |
| July | 22,623 | 18,702 | 7,019 | 5,366 | 3,545 | 997 | 58,252 | 70,275 |
| August | 27,628 | 22,023 | 8,625 | 5,919 | 4,295 | 1,170 | 69,660 | 76,993 |
| September | 32,528 | 24,364 | 9,417 | 6,696 | 5,024 | 1,293 | 79,322 | 79,351 |
| October | 35,876 | 25,344 | 9,743 | 7,329 | 5,885 | 1,509 | 85,686 | 77,600 |
| November | 33,697 | 23,607 | 9,576 | 6,295 | 5,922 | 1,840 | 80,937 | 71,189 |
| December | 33,204 | 25,360 | 7,229 | 6,671 | 4,700 | 1,957 | 79,121 | 67,745 |
| 1974 — | | | | | | | | |
| January | 37,111 | 32,206 | 7,375 | 7,044 | 5,147 | 1,648 | 90,531 | 70,932 |
| February | 37,205 | 30,866 | 8,047 | 8,341 | 5,652 | 1,732 | 91,843 | 84,311 |
| March | 34,422 | 30,480 | 7,950 | 7,575 | 5,500 | 1,625 | 87,552 | 92,212 |

(a) Vacancies notified to the C.E.S. which were still unfilled at the Friday nearest the end of the month and which employers claimed could be filled if labour were supplied immediately or within the following month. Vacancies for full-time, part-time, permanent, temporary, and seasonal positions are included. (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory. (d) Seasonally adjusted statistics have been revised following the annual re-analysis of data. For details of the methods used see *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1974* (Reference No. 1.10) to be issued shortly.

3. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS

The tables in this section contain (a) estimates of the total number of persons unemployed, derived from the quarterly population survey, (b) the numbers registered with the Commonwealth Employment Service as unemployed, and (c) the number in receipt of unemployment benefit.

TOTAL UNEMPLOYED PERSONS : POPULATION SURVEY ESTIMATES

The quarterly population survey is carried out on a sample basis throughout Australia in February, May, August and November each year. Interviews are conducted during a period of four weeks in the State capital cities and two weeks in other areas. Particulars of the numbers of persons employed or unemployed, and of the total labour force, are published each quarter in a mimeographed bulletin *The Labour Force* (Reference No. 6.20).

2. For purposes of the survey, unemployed persons are defined as all those who, during the whole of the week prior to the interview week, did no work at all and either :

- (a) did not have a job or business and were actively looking for work (including those who stated that they would have looked for work if they had not been temporarily ill or believed no work was available or had not already made definite arrangements to start work in a new job after survey week), or
- (b) had a job from which they were temporarily laid off without pay for the whole week.

3. Unemployed persons therefore comprise those looking for full-time work, those looking for part-time work and those temporarily laid off from either full-time or part-time jobs. This definition of unemployed persons conforms closely to that recommended by the Eighth International Conference of Labour Statisticians, Geneva, 1954.

4. Since the estimates are based on a sample, they may differ from the figures that would have been obtained from a complete census using the same questionnaires and procedures. There are about two chances in three that the differences would be less than 2,500 for total unemployed males, less than 2,500 for total unemployed females and less than 3,000 for total unemployed persons, and about nineteen chances in twenty that they would be less than twice these figures. Further details about the survey and the reliability of estimates will be found in the quarterly bulletin *The Labour Force* (Reference No. 6.20).

5. The sample estimates will differ from the number of persons registered with the Commonwealth Employment Service (see Table 9) as not employed, awaiting placement in full-time employment, for a number of reasons, including the following :

- (a) the survey estimates include persons looking for part-time work as well as those looking for full-time work,
- (b) they exclude persons who did any work at all during the survey week, even though they may subsequently have become unemployed and registered with the Commonwealth Employment Service, or have done so little work as not to lose eligibility for unemployment benefit,
- (c) they represent averages over a period (see paragraph 1), whereas the numbers registered refer to a particular day,
- (d) they are subject to sampling variability (see paragraph 4),
- (e) they include some unemployed persons (particularly females) who do not register with the Commonwealth Employment Service, and
- (f) they exclude any persons registered as unemployed who find jobs but do not notify the Commonwealth Employment Service at once that they have done so.

TABLE 8. — UNEMPLOYED PERSONS (a)

| Month | Looking for | | Total | | Age (years) | | Per cent of labour force (b) | |
|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|
| | Full-time work ('000) | Part-time work ('000) | Original ('000) | Seasonally adjusted (c) ('000) | 15-19 ('000) | 20 and over ('000) | Original | Seasonally adjusted |
| MALES | | | | | | | | |
| 1971 — | | | | | | | | |
| February | 39.1 | * | 41.7 | 37.0 | 14.2 | 27.5 | 1.1 | 1.0 |
| 1972 — | | | | | | | | |
| February | 69.6 | 5.2 | 74.8 | 67.0 | 24.0 | 50.8 | 2.0 | 1.8 |
| May | 58.6 | * | 61.0 | 62.6 | 14.6 | 46.4 | 1.6 | 1.7 |
| August | 63.3 | 4.1 | 67.4 | 77.2 | 17.5 | 49.9 | 1.8 | 2.0 |
| November | 63.0 | 7.7 | 70.7 | 68.2 | 29.2 | 41.6 | 1.9 | 1.8 |
| 1973 — | | | | | | | | |
| February | 61.9 | 6.0 | 67.9 | 61.0 | 23.1 | 44.8 | 1.8 | 1.6 |
| May | 45.1 | 5.6 | 50.7 | 52.8 | 14.5 | 36.2 | 1.3 | 1.4 |
| August | 35.6 | 5.4 | 41.0 | 47.5 | 12.0 | 29.1 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| November | 48.1 | 6.2 | 54.3 | 50.6 | 26.7 | 27.6 | 1.4 | 1.3 |
| 1974 — | | | | | | | | |
| February (d) | 46.2 | * | 49.9 | 45.0 | 16.4 | 33.5 | 1.3 | 1.2 |
| FEMALES | | | | | | | | |
| 1971 — | | | | | | | | |
| February | 35.9 | 15.4 | 51.3 | 41.5 | 16.7 | 34.6 | 2.9 | 2.3 |
| 1972 — | | | | | | | | |
| February | 45.4 | 15.6 | 61.0 | 49.1 | 21.4 | 39.7 | 3.4 | 2.7 |
| May | 37.1 | 12.1 | 49.2 | 52.8 | 14.7 | 34.4 | 2.7 | 2.9 |
| August | 36.8 | 17.2 | 53.9 | 64.4 | 16.4 | 37.6 | 2.9 | 3.5 |
| November | 42.7 | 22.8 | 65.5 | 66.0 | 29.2 | 36.3 | 3.4 | 3.5 |
| 1973 — | | | | | | | | |
| February | 50.3 | 25.4 | 75.6 | 60.6 | 24.4 | 51.3 | 4.0 | 3.2 |
| May | 33.1 | 16.3 | 49.5 | 53.9 | 16.3 | 33.2 | 2.6 | 2.8 |
| August | 24.9 | 15.7 | 40.6 | 48.6 | 13.2 | 27.5 | 2.1 | 2.5 |
| November | 33.7 | 17.6 | 51.3 | 51.0 | 24.7 | 26.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 |
| 1974 — | | | | | | | | |
| February (d) | 39.6 | 19.1 | 58.7 | 47.1 | 21.2 | 37.6 | 2.9 | 2.4 |
| PERSONS | | | | | | | | |
| 1971 — | | | | | | | | |
| February | 75.1 | 17.9 | 93.0 | 78.8 | 30.9 | 62.1 | 1.7 | 1.4 |
| 1972 — | | | | | | | | |
| February | 115.1 | 20.8 | 135.8 | 115.2 | 45.4 | 90.4 | 2.4 | 2.1 |
| May | 95.7 | 14.5 | 110.2 | 115.2 | 29.4 | 80.8 | 2.0 | 2.1 |
| August | 100.0 | 21.3 | 121.3 | 141.5 | 33.9 | 87.5 | 2.2 | 2.5 |
| November | 105.8 | 30.5 | 136.3 | 134.4 | 58.4 | 77.8 | 2.4 | 2.4 |
| 1973 — | | | | | | | | |
| February | 112.2 | 31.4 | 143.5 | 122.0 | 47.5 | 96.1 | 2.5 | 2.1 |
| May | 78.3 | 21.9 | 100.2 | 106.3 | 30.8 | 69.4 | 1.8 | 1.9 |
| August | 60.5 | 21.1 | 81.6 | 95.8 | 25.1 | 56.5 | 1.4 | 1.7 |
| November | 81.8 | 23.8 | 105.6 | 101.7 | 51.4 | 54.2 | 1.8 | 1.7 |
| 1974 — | | | | | | | | |
| February (d) | 85.8 | 22.8 | 108.6 | 92.3 | 37.5 | 71.1 | 1.8 | 1.6 |

(a) Aged 15 years and over. For definition, see page 11. (b) The unemployed as a percentage of the civilian labour force. (c) The method of seasonally adjusting estimates for unemployed males, females and persons has changed. Previously these estimates were obtained by a direct adjustment of the total. The new procedure is to adjust estimates for unemployed persons aged 15 to 19 and estimates for unemployed persons aged 20 years and over separately and to add the two figures to obtain total estimates for unemployed persons. Estimates for unemployed males and females are treated similarly. Estimates for earlier periods and other details have been published in *The Labour Force*, November 1973 (Reference No.6.20). (d) Preliminary estimates, subject to revision.

* Estimates less than 4,000 are not published, because they would be subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes. Although figures for these small components can be derived, they should not be regarded as reliable.

TABLE 9. — REGISTERED UNEMPLOYED (a)
(Source : Department of Labour)

| Australia (d) | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------|------------|--------|--------|----------|--------|-------|----------------|----------|------------|------------|----------|
| Date (a) | N.S.W. (b) | Vic. | Qld | S.A. (c) | W.A. | Tas. | Excluding | Total | | | |
| | | | | | | | school leavers | Seas. | Original | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Revised | Old | Seas. |
| | | | | | | | Original | adj. (e) | definition | definition | adj. (e) |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MALES | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1972 - | | | | | | | | | | | |
| March | 21,673 | 16,252 | 9,698 | 7,579 | 7,634 | 1,619 | 59,311 | 61,387 | | 64,455 | 70,595 |
| 1973 - | | | | | | | | | | | |
| February | 21,431 | 16,656 | 9,846 | 7,398 | 8,035 | 2,634 | 55,117 | 49,862 | | 66,000 | 57,926 |
| March | 16,709 | 13,516 | 7,259 | 6,308 | 6,003 | 1,825 | 47,021 | 48,750 | | 51,620 | 56,932 |
| April | 15,674 | 13,820 | 7,483 | 6,334 | 5,513 | 1,784 | 47,971 | 49,197 | | 50,608 | 57,875 |
| May | 16,218 | 13,923 | 6,699 | 6,086 | 5,715 | 1,892 | 48,606 | 47,453 | | 50,533 | 56,364 |
| June | 16,317 | 14,876 | 6,520 | 5,871 | 5,842 | 2,201 | 49,975 | 47,468 | | 51,627 | 56,344 |
| July (f) | 16,544 | 12,348 | 5,458 | 6,257 | 5,481 | 2,092 | 46,914 | 45,815 | 48,180 | 48,578 | 54,853 |
| August (f) | 15,213 | 10,544 | 4,567 | 5,624 | 4,245 | 2,067 | 41,201 | 43,530 | 42,260 | 42,839 | 52,336 |
| September | 13,915 | 10,972 | 3,817 | 4,956 | 3,589 | 2,060 | 38,338 | 42,003 | 39,309 | 39,846 | 50,149 |
| October | 13,705 | 10,197 | 3,392 | 5,115 | 3,159 | 1,716 | 36,385 | 42,911 | 37,284 | 38,207 | 51,386 |
| November | 19,874 | 11,047 | 4,261 | 5,120 | 3,531 | 1,676 | 38,240 | 44,156 | 45,509 | 55,468 | 52,802 |
| December | 23,855 | 18,177 | 8,664 | 7,633 | 5,576 | 2,560 | 46,958 | 45,609 | 66,465 | 76,611 | 53,750 |
| 1974 - | | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 25,764 | 19,627 | 16,386 | 8,034 | 7,171 | 2,827 | 63,790 | 51,043 | 79,809 | 83,081 | 57,982 |
| February | 19,594 | 14,398 | 12,441 | 6,598 | 5,120 | 2,237 | 52,762 | 47,727 | 60,388 | 60,993 | 53,995 |
| March | 16,807 | 12,099 | 9,312 | 5,299 | 4,534 | 1,759 | 45,889 | 47,605 | 49,810 | 50,171 | 54,693 |
| FEMALES | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1972 - | | | | | | | | | | | |
| March | 11,208 | 8,807 | 5,094 | 3,783 | 3,217 | 1,313 | 29,157 | 26,391 | | 33,422 | 32,023 |
| 1973 - | | | | | | | | | | | |
| February | 13,299 | 10,141 | 5,300 | 3,891 | 3,373 | 1,841 | 29,288 | 26,700 | | 37,845 | 32,437 |
| March | 11,641 | 8,550 | 4,731 | 3,493 | 3,056 | 1,494 | 28,402 | 25,711 | | 32,965 | 31,853 |
| April | 10,563 | 7,788 | 4,480 | 3,403 | 2,639 | 1,422 | 27,254 | 24,771 | | 30,295 | 31,567 |
| May | 10,781 | 7,467 | 4,173 | 3,415 | 2,705 | 1,449 | 27,797 | 25,290 | | 29,990 | 32,225 |
| June | 10,686 | 7,343 | 4,116 | 3,468 | 2,619 | 1,517 | 27,887 | 25,609 | | 29,749 | 32,612 |
| July (f) | 10,197 | 6,744 | 3,959 | 3,410 | 2,475 | 1,394 | 26,662 | 25,993 | 28,179 | 28,435 | 33,210 |
| August (f) | 9,446 | 6,042 | 3,431 | 2,979 | 2,013 | 1,325 | 23,993 | 25,721 | 25,236 | 25,611 | 32,722 |
| September | 9,005 | 5,798 | 3,004 | 2,650 | 1,793 | 1,360 | 22,481 | 24,982 | 23,610 | 23,974 | 31,531 |
| October | 8,989 | 5,665 | 2,831 | 2,401 | 1,571 | 1,232 | 21,650 | 24,640 | 22,689 | 23,254 | 30,696 |
| November | 12,786 | 6,021 | 3,042 | 2,648 | 1,838 | 1,302 | 22,551 | 25,007 | 27,637 | 33,513 | 31,624 |
| December | 13,739 | 9,976 | 4,376 | 3,801 | 2,467 | 1,911 | 22,900 | 27,060 | 36,270 | 42,489 | 33,108 |
| 1974 - | | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 14,867 | 11,344 | 5,840 | 4,285 | 2,982 | 1,955 | 28,826 | 28,021 | 41,273 | 43,484 | 33,605 |
| February | 13,083 | 9,614 | 5,850 | 3,985 | 2,935 | 1,790 | 29,700 | 27,195 | 37,257 | 37,702 | 32,789 |
| March | 11,566 | 8,357 | 5,071 | 3,263 | 2,993 | 1,502 | 28,233 | 25,536 | 32,752 | 32,984 | 31,638 |
| PERSONS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1972 - | | | | | | | | | | | |
| March | 32,881 | 25,059 | 14,792 | 11,362 | 10,851 | 2,932 | 88,468 | 86,657 | | 97,877 | 101,188 |
| 1973 - | | | | | | | | | | | |
| February | 34,730 | 26,797 | 15,146 | 11,289 | 11,408 | 4,475 | 84,405 | 76,488 | | 103,845 | 90,262 |
| March | 28,350 | 22,066 | 11,990 | 9,801 | 9,059 | 3,319 | 75,423 | 73,930 | | 84,585 | 88,232 |
| April | 26,237 | 21,608 | 11,963 | 9,737 | 8,152 | 3,206 | 75,225 | 73,976 | | 80,903 | 89,351 |
| May | 26,999 | 21,390 | 10,872 | 9,501 | 8,420 | 3,341 | 76,403 | 72,818 | | 80,523 | 88,672 |
| June | 27,003 | 22,219 | 10,636 | 9,339 | 8,461 | 3,718 | 77,862 | 73,131 | | 81,376 | 89,057 |
| July (f) | 26,741 | 19,092 | 9,417 | 9,667 | 7,956 | 3,486 | 73,576 | 71,818 | 76,359 | 77,013 | 88,129 |
| August (f) | 24,659 | 16,586 | 7,998 | 8,603 | 6,258 | 3,392 | 65,194 | 69,529 | 67,496 | 68,450 | 85,387 |
| September | 22,920 | 16,770 | 6,821 | 7,606 | 5,382 | 3,420 | 60,819 | 66,973 | 62,919 | 63,820 | 81,731 |
| October | 22,694 | 15,862 | 6,223 | 7,516 | 4,730 | 2,948 | 58,035 | 67,573 | 59,973 | 61,461 | 82,089 |
| November | 32,660 | 17,068 | 7,303 | 7,768 | 5,369 | 2,978 | 60,791 | 69,205 | 73,146 | 88,981 | 84,453 |
| December | 37,594 | 28,153 | 13,040 | 11,434 | 8,043 | 4,471 | 69,858 | 72,158 | 102,735 | 119,100 | 86,342 |
| 1974 - | | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 40,631 | 30,971 | 22,226 | 12,319 | 10,153 | 4,782 | 92,616 | 79,104 | 121,082 | 126,565 | 91,611 |
| February | 32,677 | 24,012 | 18,291 | 10,583 | 8,055 | 4,027 | 82,462 | 74,842 | 97,645 | 98,695 | 86,737 |
| March | 28,373 | 20,456 | 14,383 | 8,562 | 7,527 | 3,261 | 74,122 | 72,691 | 82,562 | 83,155 | 85,994 |

(a) Comprises all persons who were still registered with the Commonwealth Employment Service (C.E.S.) at the Friday nearest the end of the month, who claimed when registering that they were not employed, and who were seeking full-time employment, i.e. 35 hours or more per week. They include persons referred to employers but whose employment was still unconfirmed, and persons who had recently obtained employment without notifying the C.E.S. All recipients of unemployment benefit are included. (See Table 10). (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory. (d) Prior to July 1973, school leavers comprised all persons under the age of 21 who, at the time of registering with the C.E.S., (i) had ceased full-time primary or secondary education within the previous three months; or (ii) were still at school but notified the C.E.S. that they would leave school before the end of the school year if a full-time job were available. As from July 1973 (August for N.S.W.) school leavers comprise all persons under the age of 21 who, at the time of registering with C.E.S. had ceased full-time, primary or secondary education within the previous six months. (e) See note (d) to Table 7. (f) The discontinuity between June and July (July and August for N.S.W.) is caused by the change in definition of school leavers. See footnote (d).

TABLE 10. — PERSONS RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (a)
(Source : Department of Social Security)

| Month (a) | N.S.W. | Vic. | Qld | S.A. | W.A. | Tas. | N.T. | A.C.T. | Australia | |
|-----------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|--------|-----------|-------------------------|
| | | | | | | | | | Original | Seasonally adjusted (b) |
| MALES | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1972 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| March | 8,324 | 6,971 | 4,514 | 3,032 | 3,162 | 620 | 84 | 68 | 26,775 | 29,431 |
| 1973 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| February | 7,378 | 6,783 | 4,726 | 2,284 | 3,748 | 1,468 | 73 | 63 | 26,523 | 24,789 |
| March | 6,255 | 6,296 | 3,592 | 1,820 | 2,874 | 1,064 | 49 | 41 | 21,991 | 24,291 |
| April | 6,732 | 7,397 | 3,868 | 1,835 | 3,002 | 998 | 45 | 40 | 23,917 | 24,901 |
| May | 6,659 | 7,603 | 3,137 | 2,244 | 2,694 | 1,253 | 21 | 32 | 23,643 | 24,354 |
| June | 6,952 | 7,868 | 3,125 | 2,145 | 2,935 | 1,306 | 29 | 36 | 24,396 | 23,477 |
| July | 7,483 | 7,107 | 2,452 | 2,382 | 2,802 | 1,402 | 33 | 34 | 23,695 | 23,020 |
| August | 7,027 | 5,969 | 1,884 | 2,112 | 1,981 | 1,379 | 35 | 29 | 20,416 | 21,534 |
| September | 6,444 | 5,609 | 1,473 | 2,024 | 1,418 | 1,274 | 8 | 29 | 18,279 | 20,821 |
| October | 6,455 | 5,030 | 1,161 | 1,574 | 1,215 | 1,023 | 6 | 19 | 16,483 | 21,549 |
| November | 6,923 | 5,167 | 1,467 | 1,673 | 1,336 | 1,079 | 22 | 20 | 17,687 | 22,153 |
| December | 8,723 | 7,720 | 3,164 | 3,054 | 2,506 | 1,225 | 57 | 62 | 26,511 | 19,969 |
| 1974 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 9,945 | 8,069 | 5,690 | 2,703 | 2,792 | 1,575 | 140 | 55 | 30,969 | 23,782 |
| February | 7,468 | 5,958 | 5,236 | 2,084 | 1,913 | 1,433 | 100 | 56 | 24,248 | 22,460 |
| March | 6,798 | 5,311 | 3,869 | 1,601 | 1,523 | 840 | 87 | 38 | 20,067 | 22,244 |
| FEMALES | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1972 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| March | 3,274 | 2,968 | 1,938 | 1,400 | 752 | 493 | 2 | 37 | 10,864 | 10,139 |
| 1973 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| February | 4,537 | 3,114 | 1,946 | 1,606 | 1,121 | 971 | 2 | 48 | 13,345 | 11,923 |
| March | 4,383 | 3,141 | 1,777 | 1,287 | 1,075 | 817 | 2 | 38 | 12,520 | 11,745 |
| April | 4,452 | 3,527 | 1,947 | 1,339 | 1,146 | 864 | 4 | 38 | 13,317 | 12,145 |
| May | 4,335 | 3,504 | 1,851 | 1,293 | 1,031 | 989 | 3 | 26 | 13,032 | 12,533 |
| June | 4,776 | 3,314 | 1,974 | 1,292 | 1,137 | 1,024 | 9 | 23 | 13,549 | 12,737 |
| July | 4,666 | 3,074 | 1,823 | 1,385 | 1,037 | 877 | 9 | 27 | 12,898 | 12,814 |
| August | 4,236 | 2,649 | 1,525 | 1,163 | 823 | 821 | 9 | 27 | 11,253 | 12,564 |
| September | 4,070 | 2,476 | 1,226 | 1,160 | 646 | 793 | 5 | 27 | 10,403 | 12,763 |
| October | 3,845 | 2,307 | 1,098 | 965 | 557 | 669 | 4 | 16 | 9,461 | 12,698 |
| November | 4,945 | 2,404 | 1,113 | 942 | 633 | 703 | 1 | 15 | 10,756 | 12,707 |
| December | 5,732 | 3,415 | 1,350 | 1,415 | 972 | 804 | 2 | 31 | 13,721 | 12,535 |
| 1974 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 5,808 | 4,223 | 1,983 | 1,552 | 1,139 | 1,131 | 2 | 40 | 15,878 | 13,127 |
| February | 5,190 | 3,527 | 2,062 | 1,419 | 931 | 1,105 | 8 | 25 | 14,267 | 12,743 |
| March | 4,769 | 3,134 | 1,796 | 1,097 | 913 | 790 | 11 | 23 | 12,533 | 11,797 |
| PERSONS | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1972 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| March | 11,598 | 9,939 | 6,452 | 4,432 | 3,914 | 1,113 | 86 | 105 | 37,639 | 39,409 |
| 1973 - | | | | | | | | | | |
| February | 11,915 | 9,897 | 6,672 | 3,890 | 4,869 | 2,439 | 75 | 111 | 39,868 | 36,750 |
| March | 10,638 | 9,437 | 5,369 | 3,107 | 3,949 | 1,881 | 51 | 79 | 34,511 | 36,379 |
| April | 11,184 | 10,924 | 5,815 | 3,174 | 4,148 | 1,862 | 49 | 78 | 37,234 | 37,315 |
| May | 10,994 | 11,107 | 4,988 | 3,537 | 3,725 | 2,242 | 24 | 58 | 36,675 | 37,169 |
| June | 11,728 | 11,182 | 5,099 | 3,437 | 4,072 | 2,330 | 38 | 59 | 37,945 | 36,383 |
| July | 12,149 | 10,181 | 4,275 | 3,767 | 3,839 | 2,279 | 42 | 61 | 36,593 | 35,906 |
| August | 11,263 | 8,618 | 3,409 | 3,275 | 2,804 | 2,200 | 44 | 56 | 31,669 | 34,091 |
| September | 10,514 | 8,085 | 2,699 | 3,184 | 2,064 | 2,067 | 13 | 56 | 28,682 | 33,444 |
| October | 10,300 | 7,337 | 2,259 | 2,539 | 1,772 | 1,692 | 10 | 35 | 25,944 | 34,260 |
| November | 11,868 | 7,571 | 2,580 | 2,615 | 1,969 | 1,782 | 23 | 35 | 28,443 | 35,078 |
| December | 14,455 | 11,135 | 4,514 | 4,469 | 3,478 | 2,029 | 59 | 93 | 40,232 | 31,157 |
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| January | 15,753 | 12,292 | 7,673 | 4,255 | 3,931 | 2,706 | 142 | 95 | 46,847 | 36,855 |
| February | 12,658 | 9,285 | 7,298 | 3,503 | 2,844 | 2,538 | 108 | 81 | 38,315 | 35,320 |
| March | 11,567 | 8,445 | 5,665 | 2,698 | 2,436 | 1,630 | 98 | 61 | 32,600 | 34,526 |

(a) Number on benefit at Saturday nearest the end of the month. (b) See note (d) to Table 7.

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